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Dear Brewster,

Professor Hermann Maurer has asked me to extend you an invitation, requesting that you present a paper on WAIS at the 'Workshop on Distributed Multimedia Systems' which he is organizing in early November. This is being held in Graz, Austria and you would be hosted as an invited speaker. This means that attendance at Workshop events is complementary and your all your local accommodation costs during that time would be covered.

A preliminary program of the event follows. You'll notice that Robert Cailliau is giving a talk about the Web, so your presence as a exponent of WAIS would be an excellent complement to his presentation.

If this is of interest to you, we would have to confirm arrangements and get the title of your paper within about the next week. I'm sorry for the short notice, but printed material about the Workshop will need to be finalized within this time frame.

Over and above the Workshop itself, I feel that it could prove most valuable for you to have a first-hand contact with the primary context of Hyper-G development and a chance to discuss possible arrangements for commercial collaborations with WAIS Inc. I'm posting you a bit more background material about about Hyper-G/Harmony and a new electronic journal that will be published using that environment.

Regards,

Barry

A N N O U N C E M E N T
and Preliminary Programme

Workshop on Distributed Multimedia Systems
Graz/Austria, Nov. 4 -- 6, 1994

(Starting immediately after ISI'94, the 4th
International Symposium for Information Science)

AIM: Specialists in the field will explain why distributed multimedia applications are becoming increasingly important for research, training and education, presentation and cooperation. The main alternatives in this area: WWW, Gopher, WAIS and Hyper-G will be discussed and areas of applications where each is suitable will be described. Practitioners will report on their experience with various systems. Online demonstrations of all systems will be given and techniques to systematically build multimedia databases will be dealt with in detail.

INTENDED PARTICIPANTS: Anyone who is seriously thinking of using a distributed multimedia system within a university, research or commercial institution, museum; or within a national or international network for informational, educational, presentational or communicational purposes - or anyone who is already using such system but wants to overcome limitations of current solutions.

PROGRAM:

- Why do many organisations need networked multimedia applications
- Demonstration of a number of diverse applications
- Presentation of WWW, Gopher, WAIS and Hyper-G
- Comparison of the four systems mentioned in relation to the applications to be implemented
- How to build a multimedia system: document input, document conversion and document linkage
- Electronic publishing and networked multimedia applications including emerging electronic journals, museum and exhibition applications, and how to combine stand-alone (e.g. CD-ROM based) presentations with networked environments
- Networked multimedia systems as replacement of other information and database systems
- Networked multimedia systems as support of lecturing, teaching, and learning activities
- Networked multimedia systems as support for presentation, communication, and diverse administrative features

ORGANISATION AND PROGRAM: This workshop is carried out under the auspices of the Austrian Computer Society (OCG); organisation and program are the responsibility of the OCG's local chapter (currently headed by Professor H. Maurer) in cooperation with the IICM (the Institute for Information Processing and Computer Supported New Media) and the IHM (the HyperMedia Institute of Joanneum Research).

VENUE: The workshop will take place in the beautiful city of Graz, Austria

DATE, TIME AND REGISTRATION: Late afternoon of Friday, Nov. 4 till noon of Sunday, Nov. 6: Refreshments, lunch on Saturday and informal get-togethers on Friday and Saturday are included in the registration fee.

"Early Bird" registration (if received by August 31, 94) is ATS 700,--

Normal registration (to be received by October 15, 94) is ATS 1.200,--

Registration after this point or on-the-spot registration will be ATS 1.800,--
as long as it is possible to accommodate the registrants.

Persons representing J.UCS (Journal of Universal Computer Science) Foundation

Servers are offered a discount of 50 % if registering by October 15, 94.

Preliminary program

Friday, 4/11/94

1630	Registration and Welcome reception
1715 -1800	Why networked multimedia (= hypermedia systems)
	H. Maurer, TUG - Graz
1900	Informal get-together

Saturday, 5/11/94

Starting at 930 (authors in alphabetical order) till 1730

Commercial Dimensions of Cyberspace - Paving the way for
Commerce:Internet
Andreas Steuer (SUN, New Zealand)

How to get started building a hypermedia system
Zavisa Bjelogrljic (INTECS, Italy)

Hyper-G: Advancing World-Wide-Web
Frank Kappe (JOANNEUM RESEARCH, Austria)

WAIS, Gopher, WWW and all the rest
Helmut Muelner (JOANNEUM RESEARCH, Austria)

Electronic Journals
N.N. (Germany)

The Harmony Viewers of Hyper-G
Keith Andrews (TUG-Graz, Austria)

World Wide Web
Robert Cailliau (CERN, Switzerland)

Special Session on Hypermedia Applications
Triebnigg (ESA, Frascati, Italy)

Electronic Publishing
Prof. Dr. Goetze (Springer, Heidelberg, Germany)

1900 Informal get-together

Sunday, 6/11/94

900 Panel

The big three: WAIS, Gopher, WWW and their young offspring: Hyper-G

1100 Visit of Hyper-G Team Graz:

Institut for Informationprocessing and and Computer Supported New Media
(IICM) - TUG-Graz and Institut for HyperMedia Systems (IHM) - JOANNEUM
RESEARCH with demos of modern multi- and hypermedia developments.
(Presentation includes: Hyper-G, authoring in HM-Card; electronic

library,
the geotheek, etc.).

1300 End

FURTHER INFORMATION: To obtain further information or the detailed program
(available beginning of September) and registration information, contact
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